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- Report of Executives' Program Council Sessions
- A Challenge to Join the Fight Against Obscenity

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High School Endeavorers of First Presbyterian Church, Ambridge, Pennsylvania, who participated in a special "Know Your America Week" program on Sunday, November 22, are Nancy Hayes (seated left) program leader, and speakers on various themes — Jeanne Smith (seated) and (standing, left to right) Barbara Phillips, Richard Anschutz, Eileen Wood, and Barbara Fittante. Dr. W. W. McKinney is minister of the church.

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MEMO

from the General Secretary . . . .

THE CHANGING SCENE!

However much we dislike change, change does come. With this issue of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD we say "Farewell and God bless you" to our educational secretary and citizenship director, Robert C. Ross. Bob soon moves out of his full-time staff relationship with Christian Endeavor International into a new pulpit ministry, fulfilling a hope born at the time he purposed to prepare himself for a lifetime of service for his Master.

Bob Ross grew up with the Christian Citizenship Crusade of the International Society of Christian Endeavor. While the new emphasis was first launched in 1951, Bob Ross came along in 1955 and was associated with this and the educational emphases during the years when the Crusade was coming into full flower. Serving half-time with the International Society while he completed his work for the graduate degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Christian Theological Seminary (formerly Butler School of Religion), Bob Ross took on full-time responsibility for the development of all the educational activities and citizenship programs of the International Society in 1958.

Christian Endeavor has been part of Bob's very being since his high school days. His ministry through Christian Endeavor extends over the length and breadth of the United States and has spilled over into Canada and into Europe. As Bob and his new wife, Nelda, answer God's call to a more personal ministry through a local pastorate, we wish them well and assure them that our prayers go before them.

The history of Christian Endeavor has been a history of God's raising up men to take up the work where others have left off. We welcome to the staff as educational secretary and citizenship director Delno W. Brown, minister of the First Christian Church of Hobart, Indiana. Mr. Brown will begin his new relationship on February 1. As in the case of his predecessor, Delno Brown is a Christian Endeavorer from the ground up, having served for many years, and currently serving, in local union leadership. Wherever Delno Brown has gone Christian Endeavor has prospered. May our prayers be with him and with his wife and two children as they prepare to join us in this important work of Christian Endeavor, a vital part of the Christian education arm of the church.

These are momentous days for Christian Endeavor, challenging days, days fraught with tremendous possibilities and opportunities. Remembering that we are "laborers together with God," may we move out—and with vigor—to the harvest.

VERSE OF THE MONTH!

Beginning with this first column of the new year I should like to call to our attention each issue a verse that might have particular meaning. Particularly appropriate as we stand on the threshold of a new year is a verse that I first came to see in its full meaning in an Alabama Christian Endeavor Summer Conference at Oak Mountain, just outside of Birmingham: "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not" (Jeremiah 33:3).

Perhaps you would like to send to me a verse that has real meaning to you that we might use it here as the "Verse of the Month" for all to read.

DR. POLING IN THE NEWS!

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield, in a press release recently, announced the appointment of a Citizens' Advisory Committee on Literature, certainly not for censorship, but rather for consulting with the Postmaster General, as the need arises, as to whether or not a specific piece of literature submitted for mailing is obscene and should be denied access to the United States mail. Included among the nine distinguished citizens who will serve on this strategic committee is our own Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

Harold Westerhoff

Fellowship Banquet highlighted 1959 Executives' Program Council sessions

xecutives' Program Council Meets

Eighty leaders study and work together four days as they plan program emphases and materials

e annual meetings of the Executives' am Council, held in Columbus, Ohio, nber 3-6, were characterized by rich vship and much enthusiasm, with a spiritual emphasis throughout the ses-

high light was the fellowship banquet Friday night with Dr. Clyde W. lows, president of the International ty, bringing the message. Cecil A. y, extension secretary of the Interna- Society, was the toastmaster.

e banquet was sparked by the theme, cago Next!" with emphasis on plans he 46th International Christian En- or Convention to be held July 5-8, in the Windy City. Herbert S. Tanis, man of the local committee, spoke and is delegates distributed folders about ago.

. Meadows led the opening commun- ervice on Thursday and the devotional periods each succeeding morning. For his messages he took the group to the four mountains of Jerusalem—Calvary, Zion, Moriah, and the Mount of Olives — and related happenings on each peak and their meaning for us today.

Headquarters associates were hosts at an informal reception on Thursday night at Christian Endeavor headquarters. This gave leaders an opportunity to tour the building and to become acquainted with those who work at 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

A four-session study course on "Ten Steps to Christian Endeavor Leadership" was successfully taught by Elwood Dunn, general secretary of the Michigan Union. Based on the textbook, "Ten Steps to Leadership" by J. Vernon Jacobs, the study covered the marks of a leader, how to work with people, and how to think through and solve problems.

The PHILADELPHIA PANORAMA audio-visual report of the recent International Convention was given by Gordon McMordie, general secretary of the Pennsylvania Union, assisted by Don Cole from Texas.

Other features of the sessions included a report on Christian Endeavor worldwide by Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of both the International Society and the World's Union. He told of his recent visit to Mexico and Guatemala and gave information about the Pacific Area Conference scheduled for August 17-20 in Mexico City.

Over one-third of the delegates were under 25 years of age. Under the leadership of Richard E. Snyder, chairman of the Youth Assembly, and Timothy J. Kribs, associate president of the International Society, these young people took charge of a Christian Endeavor meeting on "Biblical Road Signs" at the headquarters building on Saturday evening.

During sessions reports of committees were made and recommendations were adopted for action in the year ahead.

The four commitments of Christian Endeavor were presented as follows: Christian Endeavor Pledge—Rev. Clair E. Beatty, president of the Ohio Union; the Quiet Hour Covenant—Dr. W. N. Gibson, General Baptist Church leader; the Tenth Legion—Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, gen-

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1959 leaders of the Executives' Program Council pictured are (seated, left to right) Rev. Robert Hess, chairman of the Council; Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., Children's Work Committee chairman; Robert C. Ross, educational secretary of the International Society; (standing, left) Rev. Charles W. Barner, head of the Educational Committee; and Elwood Dunn, chairman of the Youth Work Committee.

Members of the Educational Committee hard at during their annual meeting December 1 and (clockwise around the table, starting lower left) Ce Jeffery, Joan Pyle, Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., Do E. Howes, Rev. Charles W. Barner, Robert C. Ross, M. Brown (recorder), Elwood Dunn, Carol E. C Rev. Andrew White, Rev. Robert Hess, Harold E. W hoff, Dr. W. N. Gibson, and Paul F. Hurley.

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eral secretary of the Department of Christian Education of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ; and the Lifework Recruit Covenant—Rev. Edgar L. Mack, leader in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Staff members of the International Society presented information about current emphases, program, and materials. Harold E. Westerhoff told of Membership Mobilization plans; Cecil A. Jeffery presented methods of effective visitation; Robert C. Ross outlined plans for 1960 Christian Endeavor Week and for the current Christian Citizenship Crusade; Phyllis I. Rike gave results of a recent reader survey of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD and reported on the 1960 Outdoor Poster Program.

The sessions came to a close at noon on Sunday, December 6, following the installation service by Harold E. Westerhoff and a closing worship period conducted by the outgoing chairman of the Council, Rev. Robert Hess, field secretary of the California Union.

Two memorials were presented to the International Society during the sessions. One is the Russell S. Gowdey Book of Remembrance, in memory of a New York State Endeavorer who served as president of the former Christian Endeavor Executives' Conference and who was killed in an airplane crash in 1954 as he was en route to a Christian Endeavor meeting. The book was presented by the Executives' Conference and will be used to record memorial gifts.

The other memorial is a slide and filmstrip projector presented by Illinois Endeavorers in memory of Mrs. William V. Martin, long-time Illinois Junior worker who had participated in many International Conventions and who died this year.

During these annual meetings the Executives' Program Council studies current plans, materials and emphases of the Christian Endeavor movement. Many phases of the work are reviewed as leaders share ideas and study materials.

Included in the membership of the Council are denominational youth workers; presidents and employed field, executive and general secretaries of Christian Endeavor unions; officers of the International Society; and youth delegates appointed by the unions. The work of the Council is carried out through four committees—Educational, Children's Work, Youth Work, and Adult Work.

Rev. Charles W. Barner, a leader in the Evangelical Congregational Church, succeeds Mr. Hess as chairman. Vice-chairmen elected are James R. Westerhoff, vice-president of the International Society in charge of the Middle Atlantic Region, and Rev. Walter M. Burkholder. Dorothy E. Howes, executive secretary of Oregon Union, was elected secretary.

Committees elected by the Council are as follows:

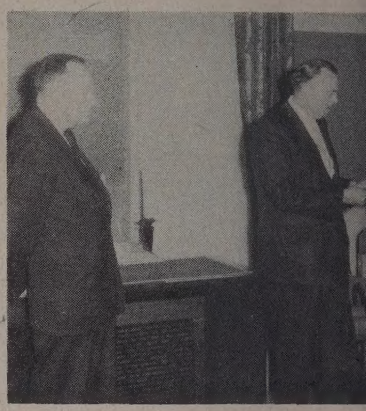
Educational Committee—Rev. Walter M. Burkholder, chairman; Rev. Charles W. Barner, Elwood Dunn, Dr. Earle W. Gates, Dr. W. N. Gibson, Rev. Robert Hess, Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., Paul F. Hurley, and Rev. Andrew White.

Children's Work—Mrs. Warren G. Hoopes, Sr., chairman; Mrs. Etta Berger, Mrs. Marlin Dossett, and Florence Zimmerman.

Youth Work—Elwood Dunn, chairman; Rev. Clair E. Beatty, Albert Day, Rev. Paul D. Dunn, Dorothy E. Howes, Joan Pyle, Wanna Sell, and Jay Sheffield.

Adult Work—Dr. Earle W. Gates, chairman; Phyllis G. Brown.

Dates set for next year's meetings of the Executives' Program Council are December 1-4 in Columbus, Ohio.



Elwood Dunn (center), last president o former Christian Endeavor Executives' C ence, presents a Book of Remembrance t Clyde W. Meadows, International Society dent, in memory of Russell S. Gowdey. Dr. W. Gates (left) directed the presentation.

William R. Bonnema of Chicago presents jector to Harold E. Westerhoff (center) in m of Mrs. William V. Martin, long-time I Junior leader who died earlier this yea gift is from Illinois Endeavorers. Edward (left), Illinois Union president, also partici in the service at Christian Endeavor headqua

LEFT—Waiting in line at the reception at headquarters are (left to right) John Fortuin, Jane Ba June McGill, and Sandra Hargrove, with Mrs. Madalyn Sheridan and Mrs. Robert C. Ross presidi the punch bowl.

BELOW—Headquarters associates (wearing flowers) were introduced to delegates during rece

rt Tanis invites delegates to Chicago during
rship Banquet of Executives' Program Coun-
hile Dr. Clyde W. Meadows listens atten-

bert Tanis Heads cago Committee

rbert S. Tanis of Lansing, Illinois, is chairman of the Chicago Convention nittee. He will head up the local group makes plans to entertain thousands of avorers at the 46th International Chris- Endeavor Convention in the Windy July 5-8, 1961.

. Tanis, an active member of Grace med Church of Lansing, is chairman e Evangelist Committee and a member e church building and church organ nittees. He has served as deacon, h treasurer, and Sunday school super- dent.

ristian Endeavor experiences include ng office as treasurer and president of ociety in the Presbyterian Church of nond, Indiana, his home town.

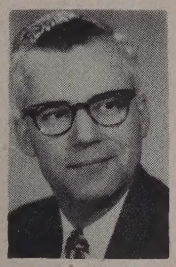
. Tanis is associated with the Ridge- Heating Service in Lansing. He is ed and the father of three sons.

Delno Brown Becomes Educational Secretary And Citizenship Director February 1

Succeeds Robert C. Ross, Who Returns to Pastorate After Five Years on International Society Staff

Delno W. Brown, minister of First Christian Church, Hobart, Indiana, will become educational secretary and citizenship director of the International Society on February 1, according to announcement made by Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary.

Mr. Brown will succeed Robert C. Ross, who has held these positions since January, 1955. Mr. Ross resigned at the beginning of the year in order to enter full-time service in the local church ministry.



Delno Brown

Many places of Christian Endeavor leadership have been held by Mr. Brown, beginning with service as president of a local society near Robinson, Illinois. He has been active in union work in Knox County (Indiana), Knox County (Tennessee), and Franklin County (Ohio). Currently he is pastor-counselor of the Valpo District (Indiana).

Taking his A.B. degree at Johnson Bible College in 1942, Mr. Brown studied at the School of Religion, Butler University (now Christian Theological Seminary) and was awarded the Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1945.

In 1958 Mr. Brown received the M.A. degree from Northwestern University, where he wrote his thesis on the subject of Christian Endeavor. He has also taken studies at Ohio State University, the University of Tennessee, Southern Illinois University, Garrett Biblical Institute, and the University of Chicago and brings an excellent educational background to his new work.

Before coming to the Hobart Church in 1956, Mr. Brown served as minister of the Reel Avenue Christian Church, Vincennes, Indiana, 1942-45; assistant minister, Indianola Church of Christ, Columbus, Ohio, 1945-47; registrar, Johnson Bible College, 1947-48; and minister, Christian Church, Herrin, Illinois, 1948-56.

Mr. Brown married the former Lorraine Atkins in August, 1945. She was an active Knox County (Indiana) Endeavorer. Mrs. Brown is a musician and a teacher, holding the B.S. degree from Indiana State Teachers' College. The Browns have two children, Mark (seven), and Rebecca (five).

Mr. Brown's other activities include Rotary Club and Y.M.C.A. work.

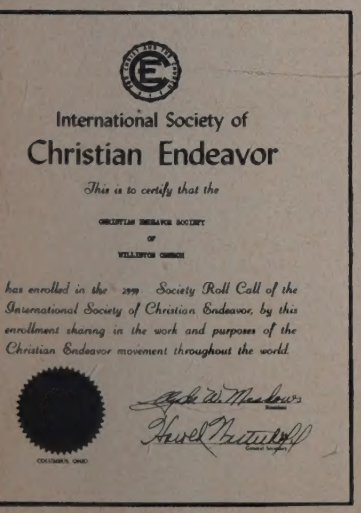
Robert Ross, a Christian Endeavorer since high school days in Tulare, California, is an ordained minister of the Christian Churches and received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1959 from Christian Theological Seminary.

Also in 1959 Mr. Ross married Nelda Jean Thomas of Houston, a past president of the Texas Christian Endeavor Union and a first place winner in Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Contest for 1956.

Before joining the International Society staff in 1955, Mr. Ross served as associate president. He has also been president of the Oregon Union and field secretary for the Indiana and Illinois Unions.

Robert C. Ross and his wife, Nelda, expectantly open gifts presented to them by members of the Executives' Program Council during recent sessions in Columbus.

ENROLLMENT CERTIFICATES



International Society of
Christian Endeavor

This is to certify that the

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY
OF
WILLISTON CHURCH

has enrolled in the 1959 Society Roll Call of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, by this enrollment sharing in the work and purposes of the Christian Endeavor movement throughout the world.

COLUMBUS, OHIO

All across North America certificates are being received by Christian Endeavor societies, announcing that the society has enrolled in the International Society.

Here is a facsimile of the enrollment certificate. Societies giving $15 receive a blue seal certificate. Red seals are used on certificates to those groups giving $25 while gifts of $50 or more merit a gold seal.

By enrolling in the International Society as a society . . . as well as individual members . . . your group becomes an active part of a world-wide movement.

Proudly display an enrollment certificate where your society meets. Answer the Society Roll Call.

"We Have Only Begun To Fight"—Against Obscenity!

O. K. Armstrong reports on progress of current drive against pornography

The teen-age son of a Baptist pastor friend of mine in a southern city recently answered an ad in a sports magazine for a small trinket, for which the boy sent 25 cents. Back came the trinket—and half a dozen unspeakably obscene pictures. Letters followed, from an "art" company in California, telling the boy he could get more such pictures and that he could sell them to his schoolmates at a profit.

Shocked and angered, the parents of that boy turned the pictures over to their local postmaster, who sent them to the Post Office Department in Washington. I learned from an official in Washington that a quick check found no "art" firm at the address given. The merchants of smut had shifted to another place. But they are doubtless still in business!

The incident discloses a comparatively new angle of the big traffic in indecent publications of all kinds—a drive to sell pornographic prints to teen-agers in junior and senior high schools.

"This is one of the most vicious and criminal activities of the whole pornography business," Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield told a group of churchmen. "I urge every parent, every teacher, every person who finds such filth coming through the mails to send it immediately to the Post Office Department. We shall try our best to catch up with these merchants of obscenity."

Mr. Summerfield estimates that one million children will receive obscene material through the family mail box during 1959, and that if the vicious racket is not checked, the volume of this smut will double within four years.

In these opening months of 1960, it is well for people who believe in decency to take stock of our battlelines. Are we gaining—or losing—in this fight to combat the moral corruption and spiritual destruction caused by pornography?

Some hopeful progress has been made. The Churchmen's Commission for Decent Publications, organized in April 1957, representing 30 Protestant denominations, has led a vigorous crusade to arouse Christian people to their responsibility to enforce the laws against obscenity in our states and communities. It now enlists leaders of groups as divergent as the National Council of Churches, the National Association of Evangelicals, Latter Day Saints and Seventh Day Adventists.

"Why should not all Christian people join in this common crusade against pornography and for decent publications?" asks Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, NAE public affairs director, who served as the commission's first secretary.

Progress was made also on the legislative front during the 1959 session of Congress. This writer had the privilege of appearing before the subcommittee of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service last May, to plead for stronger penalties for the mailing of obscene publications. Other officials of our group appeared, and I am happy to say that the legislation we backed was passed and signed by the President.

Chairman of the subcommittee, Representative Kathryn E. Granahan of Pennsylvania, declared: "Obscene publications serve to impair the years of training that parents have devoted to their children."

Both the Southern Baptist and the American Baptist Conventions in their annual meetings last spring passed resolutions vigorously condemning the traffic in pornography and urging families to provide and utilize literature that is pure and wholesome. Numerous other denominational bodies have taken similar action. Many are shaping plans for specific activities in the crusade against smut.

Last September in Chicago, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers called upon its 11½ million members to start a concerted drive to wipe out the distribution of pornographic literature, under the leadership of Dr. J. C. Moffitt of Provo, Utah, chairman of the P.-T.A. committee on comics, movies, radio and television.

On the other hand, the forces benefiting financially from the vile traffic in printed materials, including magazines, pictures and obscene "comics" estimated at $500 million a year, seem more determined than ever to force their wares upon the public. Beside the drive to create a demand for obscenity among teen-agers, they are stepping up the distribution of indecent reading material and obscene playing cards for young men in military service. Also, the market for pornography among college dents, young men and women alike, is ing cultivated.

Most alarming of all, perhaps, is turn toward obscenity in moving pic and television shows. A dispatch Hollywood dated last August 17 by Chicago Daily News service says:

"The barriers (to pornography in m and TV) are down. Court decisions opened the gates for Hollywood. D new movies are being prepared. A M Brando film has as its theme rape an problems of a girl made pregnant by Then followed a long list of subjects, ing from bad taste to downright vi being filmed.

Yes—the bars are down. The book *Gantry,* by the late cynical agnostic clair Lewis, a brazenly false portray preachers in general and their alleged tives in particular, will be ready for s ing this winter. Reports from Holly recite numerous other such films.

Television shows, which come more mately into the family circle for every that has a TV set, are following suit in many instances, leading the wa abandoning all inhibitions and sho "sex for sex's sake," "torrid love sce and suggestive, dirty glorification of titution and adultery.

What has become of the "moral which used to govern the content of ing pictures, radio programs and telev shows? What about the "self-poli which these industries used to do, in not to violate the laws of decency o fend religious principles? They are ou window. They are *passe*—no longer in The reason? "Court decisions have op the gates," says the Hollywood repo

Legal censorship has been dealt a c ing blow by recent decisions of fe courts. A New York judge ruled that *Chatterley's Lover* cannot be barred the mails because "Victorian" idea morality should no longer apply in m society! Here is a book so dirty in it abridged edition that it offends the bilities of every person who respects anhood and seeks to protect the min impressionable youths from smut yet, a federal court, it cannot be barred circulation because our morals h changed!

In its last term the U.S. Supreme reversed a court of appeals in barrin scene moving pictures, and here are of the words of its astonishing dec "Its guarantee (the Constitution's gu tee of free speech) is not confined t expression of ideas that are convent or shared by a majority. It protects vocacy of the opinion that adultery sometimes be proper, no less than cacy of socialism or the single tax." T Justices Douglas and Black, the known "liberals," add: "I can find i First Amendment no room for any c whether he is scanning an editorial, re a news broadcast, editing a novel or a or previewing a movie." In other w anything goes, the sky is the limit, a let the smut go through!

Meantime, juvenile delinquency crime are increasing by almost a s seven per cent a year! Courtrooms are gested with cases of teen-age assault lence and even rape and murder. Ther be no disputing the words of FBI Ch Edgar Hoover that "obscene literature major factor in the growth of juv delinquency."

f Postal Inspector David H. Stephens
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f exposure to obscenity and pornog-
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asking what they are doing to strengthen
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ncy, crime and immorality.

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LAST CALL FOR ENTRIES IN CITIZENSHIP CONTEST

February 8 is the important date!

That is the deadline for entries in Christian Endeavor's ninth annual Citizenship Contest sponsored by the International Society.

This year's contest features competition for societies as well as individuals. Nominations of young people under 25 years of age and of Christian Endeavor societies or similar youth groups must be postmarked no later than February 8. Nominations must be sent on the official form to the Christian Citizenship Director of the International Society at 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

Already many youth and societies have been nominated and will be competing for the Albert H. Diebold Awards which total $1,100 in cash plus trips for the two first place individual winners to Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Convocation to be held July 1-3 in Ottawa, Ontario.

Societies competing in the contest will be judged on the basis of a significant Christian citizenship project sponsored and reported by the group. The project must be conducted between September 1, 1959, and March 1, 1960. It will be evaluated on group participation, goals established and achieved, and the quality of the composite report.

Top award for the winning society is $150 with $75 for the second place group and $25 to the unit finishing third.

Young people in the individual contest will compete in two divisions—Division A for those in high school, Division B for those out of high school but under 25 years of age. They will be judged on the basis of "An Open Letter" (not to exceed 500 words) on the subject CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP—UNLIMITED! along with a Christian Citizenship Service Record of the individual.

The first award in each division will be $150 in cash plus a grant (to a maximum of $150) for expenses of attending the Convocation. Second award in each division will be $75 with third award being $50. For the next six runners-up in the International finals in each division there will be awards of $25 for each. Certificates of Recognition and special awards emblems will be presented to all winners, with Honor Certificates to all other qualified participants who complete their entry.

Further contest information may be secured by writing to the International Society.

"Now you're in," says Robert C. Ross (left) as he signs up David Whitten of Evansville, Indiana, for the 1960 Citizenship Contest.

Nomination Form FOR SOCIETIES

PLEASE PRINT

Send to Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

Valid only if postmarked no later than February 8, 1960

Please enter_____
(Name of Society or Group)

_____
(Name of Church)

in Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Contest. Send all information to

_____
(Name of Contact Person)

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(Address of Contact Person)

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(City, Zone, State of Contact Person)

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Office or Position of Contact Person

Nomination Form FOR INDIVIDUALS

PLEASE PRINT

Send to Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

Valid only if postmarked no later than February 8, 1960

NOTE: You may be nominated by an adult, by another young person, or you may nominate yourself.

Please enter_____
(Name)
in Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Contest. Send all information to the contestant at

_____
(Address)

_____
(City, Zone, State)

(Disregard the following if you are nominating yourself) I agree to encourage my nominee to complete the "Letter" and Service Record.

_____
(Name of Person Making Nomination)

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1960 INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Ottawa, July 1-3 – Mexico City, August 17-20

The year 1960 offers Endeavorers in the United States, Canada, and Mexico two international opportunities—the Citizenship Convocation in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, July 1-3 and the Pacific Area Conference of the World's Union scheduled for Mexico City August 17-20.

Plans for the Convocation are now being completed. A committee of Canadian Endeavorers, headed by Clyde Sherk, president of the Ontario Union, is in charge of local arrangements.

A committee of the Canadian Union, directed by Rev. T. Melville Bailey, is planning for a special plaque to be placed at the Presbyterian Church, Aylmer, Quebec, during the closing session of the Convocation. This is the childhood home of Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavor movement.

Officers of the Mexican National Union who will welcome delegates in 1960 are (left to right) Mario Silva, treasurer; Lilia S. Arjona, assistant secretary; Dr. Oziel Garza Rocha, president; Rev. Saul Tijerina G., counselor, and Gloria Andrade, secretary.

The Convocation begins with dinner Friday night and concludes Sunday afternoon. The fee of $35 includes meals (except breakfasts) and hotel accommodations, three or four to a room, in the fabulous Chateau Laurier, plus sight-seeing and registration fee.

Program plans include a Quiet Hour service on the picturesque point. Within easy walking distance of the hotel are the many sights of Parliament Hill. Delegates will also have an opportunity to visit the American Embassy, the Supreme Court Building, and other points of interest.

Every Convocation delegate will want to take the picturesque trip on the Rideau Canal and Locks on the Ottawa River. The Gatineau Hills are in the background.

The Convocation comes at an appropriate time, combining Dominion Day (July 1) in Canada with the Fourth of July week end in the United States. Early arrivals for the Convocation will be able to enjoy the special Dominion Day activities in the Canadian Capital.

In August Endeavorers will journey south of the border for another significant gathering. Scheduled for Mexico City, the sessions of the Pacific Area Conference of the World's Union will bring together leaders from Japan, Australia, and other Pacific areas with many delegates from Canada, the United States, Mexico, and Guatemala.

Christian Endeavor leaders in Mexico have shifted the date of their annual convention to schedule it the same week as the area conference, enabling their young people to participate in both events.

The Mexican Fellowship Tour will leave Chicago August 6 via air, arriving by plane back in Chicago on August 28. The cost of the entire tour is $625.

Tour party members will enjoy 23 thrill-packed days that will include the Pacific Area Conference and give a taste of all that is Mexico—colonial Mexico, the Independence Country, the tropical region, and the vacation and resort areas. [illegible] will be made to great cathedrals, the [illegible] mids, and other places of religious si[illegible] cance. San Miguel Allende, Tla[illegible] Hacienda Vista Hermosa, Taxco, Aca[illegible] —these are just a few of the fascin[illegible] places on the itinerary.

Members of the Mexican Fellowship Tour will see this view of the crater of the famous Popocatepetl as they near Mexico "Popo" is 17,794 feet above sea level, the three greatest mountains in the w[illegible] hemisphere.

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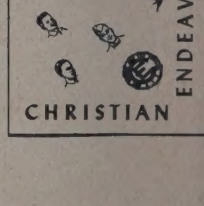

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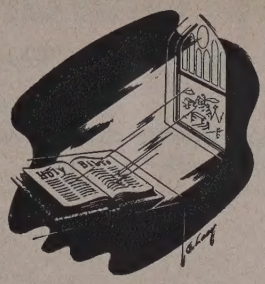
These readings are grouped together on one page in r that Endeavorers may easily use them. Why not out this section and place it in your Bible, ready for daily Quiet Hour observance.



Junior High (Intermediate) Daily Readings

b. 1. A Witnessing Church. Acts 5:29,41,42.
b. 2. A Missionary Church. Acts 13:1-5.
b. 3. A Church of Fellowship. Hebrews 10:23-25.
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Feb. 7. Topic — My Church — Christ's urch. Matthew 16:13-18a. (Christian deavor Day)
b. 8. Philip and the Ethiopian. Acts 8:37-39.
b. 9. Christ and the Samaritan Woman. John 4:25-29.
b. 10. Indebted to Witness. Romans 1:14-16.
b. 11. A Syro-Phoenician Helped. Mark 7:25-30.
b. 12. Oneness in Christ. Galatians 3:27-29.
b. 13. The Broken Down Wall. Ephesians 2:11-15.
Feb. 14. Topic—Our Christian Witness Other Races. Acts 10:34,35. (Race Re- ions Sunday)
b. 15. Evangelism for the Devout John 1:43-51.
b. 16. Evangelism for the Inquiring. John 3:1-13.
b. 17. Evangelism for the Sinful. John 4:7-26.
b. 18. Evangelism for the Afflicted. Mark 10:46-52.
b. 19. Evangelism for the Distressed. Luke 23:39-45.
b. 20. Evangelism for the Violent. Acts 26:9-18.
Feb. 21. Topic—What Is Evangelism? ke 19:1-10.
b. 22. Helpfulness. Job 29:15,16.
b. 23. Power for the Lifework Recruit. Acts 1:4-8.
b. 24. Moses Called to His Life Work. Exodus 3:2-10.
b. 25. Gideon Called to His Life Work. Judges 6:11-16.
b. 26. Elisha Called to His Life Work. I Kings 19:19-21.
b. 27. Paul Called to His Life Work. Acts 22:17-21.
Feb. 28. Topic—What Is a Lifework cruit? Isaiah 6:1-8.

Senior-Young People's Daily Readings

M., Feb. 1. A Witnessing Church. Acts 5:29,41,42.
T., Feb. 2. A Missionary Church. Acts 13:1-5.
W., Feb. 3. A Church of Fellowship. Hebrews 10:23-25.
T., Feb. 4. A Growing Church. Acts 6:1-7.
F., Feb. 5. A Concerned Church. Acts 4:32-37.
S., Feb. 6. A Spiritual Church. I John 1:3-10.
Sun., Feb. 7. Topic — My Church — Christ's Church. Matthew 16:13-18a. (Christian Endeavor Day)
M., Feb. 8. The Fast of Liberty and Justice. Isaiah 58:6-10.
T., Feb. 9. The Basis for Liberty and Justice. Philemon 10:19.
W., Feb. 10. Don't Abuse Liberty. I Corinthians 8:9-13.
T., Feb. 11. Justice under the Law. Deuteronomy 16:18-20.
F., Feb. 12. Justice with the Prophets. Amos 5:11-24.
S., Feb. 13. Justice in the Gospel. Matthew 7:1-5.
Sun., Feb. 14. Topic — "Liberty and Justice for All." I Corinthians 12:1-13. (Race Relations Sunday)
M., Feb. 15. Sin Causes Calamity. Isaiah 59:1-15.
T., Feb. 16. Use Discretion. Proverbs 2:11-19.
W., Feb. 17. Evil Ways Bring Judgment II Peter 2:9-17.
T., Feb. 18. Evil Ends in Destruction. Philippians 3:13-19.
F., Feb. 19. Ways and Fruits. Matthew 7:13-20.
S., Feb. 20. The End Is Death. Proverbs 14:2-14.
Sun., Feb. 21. Topic—The Finished Product. Romans 1:18-32.
M., Feb. 22. Cost Plus for Damage. Leviticus 6:1-5.
T., Feb. 23. Finders Not Keepers. Deuteronomy 22:1-3.
W., Feb. 24. Restitution Required Exodus 22:1-6.
T. Feb. 25. God's Justice. Ezekiel 33:12-20.
F., Feb. 26 Landmarks. Proverbs 23:10,11.
S., Feb. 27. Christians and Sin. I John 3:7-10.
Sun., Feb. 28. Topic — Veto Vandalism! Isaiah 59:1-8.

Hewetson Memorial Fund Established

The A. Russell Hewetson Memorial Fund has been established as a permanent trust to benefit the on-going Christian Endeavor work in the United States and Canada, according to announcement by Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary and treasurer of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

The fund, with a principal of $10,000, is the gift of Mrs. H. Spencer (Rosa Hewetson) Clark of Toronto, Ontario. It honors a former president of the Canadian Union, who died of pneumonia in 1928 at the age of forty, following a very brief illness.

Income from the fund will be divided annually as follows: 40% to the International Society; 30% to the Canadian Union; and 30% to the Ontario Union.

Mr. Hewetson was a member of Grace United Church of Brampton, Ontario. His Christian Endeavor leadership began when he served as president of a society in Toronto, then president of the Toronto Union and of the Ontario Union. He was head of the Canadian Union at the time of his death, and a trustee and member of the Executive and Finance Committees of the International Society. He attended the 1926 World's Convention in London, representing Canada. He was secretary and treasurer of the J. W. Hewetson Shoe Company.

When asked why he was putting his life into Christian Endeavor, Mr. Hewetson once replied, "Because I know of no other better way to help build Christian character in Canadian youth."

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Feb. 28. The Country Church Counts, Too. Matthew 28:16-20.

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My Church – Christ's Church

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Matthew 16:13-18a
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Senior-Young People (15-24 Years) *FEBRUARY*

*Comments by Dr. Earle W. Gates**

Christian Endeavor Week

Today we conclude world-wide Christian Endeavor Week, with what has long been known as Christian Endeavor Day. This is one of the most significant observances in the entire church. Its origin changed the thinking of the Protestant Church toward its young people; it opened new horizons for Christian youth. Some of the best planning of the year should precede, and follow, this important day.

Throughout the world Endeavorers will this week be celebrating the 79th anniversary of the founding of the first Christian Endeavor Society on February 2, 1881, in the Williston Congregational Church, Portland, Maine. The movement joins with many denominational and interdenominational agencies in observing Christian Endeavor Week-Youth Week. Each member should be made aware of the significance of this day and this week. If special observance of this anniversary has not been made, even today is not too late to set plans for it in the days immediately ahead.

The Leader and His Aim

Keeping all the above in mind, the leader should acquaint the members with this day and its purpose. Then, in keeping with the topic, he should strive to point out the meaning of the Christian Church, together with its responsibilities. The distinguishing characteristics of the Church must be named and discussed. He may well emphasize the motto and current theme, "For Christ and the Church."

The fullness and purpose of the Church is so often misunderstood; there is a unique opportunity here. Above all the leader should endeavor to make clear that the Church is a divine creation, truly the Body of Christ, and yet that it has a human responsibility. Perhaps he will wish to counsel with the pastor for accuracy and understanding. Christian Endeavor is peculiarly the handmaiden of the church; let this anniversary be the beginning of a larger concept of our part in it.

The Church's One Foundation

In the Scripture lesson today Jesus declares His intention to establish the Church. In a conversation with a group of His disciples He points out the foundation it must have. The "rock" or foundation is the confession of faith in Christ. "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God"; this is verily the beginning of the fullness of any life—and it is the basis of the Church. "The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ Her Lord" is more than a loved hymn; it is a profound and essential truth. Herein is the first distinguishing mark of the Church. Is it clearly manifest in yours?

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FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

1. Ungrammatical but pointed is the bit of doggerel, "If everyone in my church were just like me, What kind of church would my church be?" What does it mean? Discuss the several implications in it.
2. What do we mean by "Christ's Church"? Why is it His?
3. What do we mean by "my church"? Why is it ours?
4. What should be the lasting effect on our own church of a thoughtful and careful observance of Christian Endeavor Day?
5. Name the four distinguishing characteristics of the Christian Church given above, then add as many others as possible.
6. What does your church do for you as an individual? What do you do for your church?

Early Christian Communism

A second characteristic of Christ's Church, and ours, is the concern for all who come under its influence. Early Christianity was an ideal form of communism; i.e., communal living for the good of all. It must unmistakably be contrasted with political Communism (spelled with a capital "C") the atheistic, selfish, and materialistic Soviet system of the 20th Century.

In Acts 2:44-47 is recorded the stirring account of the early practices. "And all that believed were together, and had all things common; and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need." Truly this was a living-out of the divine teaching that we are our brothers' keepers. From such Christian concern and compassion has sprung the vast program of charities, hospitalization, social service, education, and propagation of the faith that we know today.

The practices of the early church that inspired this quality of living are noted in Acts 2:42, thrilling words of aspiration and of rebuke to much of our modern religion. "And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." Study the meaning of each of these four activities. In the church that is particularly Christ's and yours is there this compassion and concern? And this stedfastness?

The Growth of the Church

Our Heavenly Father honors those who faithfully witness and serve for Him. He likewise gives power to the church that is faithful to its mission. One of the marks of the early church was its phenomenal growth. The "stedfastness" of preaching and practice, as described in Acts 2:38-47 finds its fruition in the 47th verse, "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (literally, "Those who were being saved").

Again Acts 4:4 notes that on one occasion alone the number of men who heard and believed, and so were added to the Church, came to five thousand. Is our Gospel m sage so clear today, so uncompromisi that men and women and children n hear and be convinced of the Lordship Christ? What are we doing to help Lord "add daily" to our church?

The Great Commission

Another characteristic of His true Chu is the Great Commission to go out preach and teach, to "make disciples" of nations (Matthew 28:19,20). Christian is ever a missionary religion. We must every generation for the Lord Jesus Chr The good news of the Gospel must be t to every creature, both in our Jerusale our own community, and to the utterm parts of the earth.

This commission is a personal one, every believer, every church, every Ch tian Endeavor society. This missionary dr may be expressed by a personal dedicat of life in full-time Christian service, or may be shown by giving of one's mon by fervent prayer, by the faithful da witness of a Christian life. Every one w believes in Christ's teaching can find own personal means of expression if seeks. Is your church distinguished by t zeal, and its fruits? Are you?

Whose Church?

All of these things, and others, are ch acteristic marks of the Church. But wh Church is it? We ask, "Is it not Christ' Of course it is! He is in it, and will bl it. Indeed, He has promised that the ga of Hell shall not be able to hold up agai it. It is miraculously kept in the hollow His hand.

But it is also our church! And He not hold us guiltless if we neglect or bet it. It is ours in the very real sense that puts it in man's hands, for better or worse. Man may soil or misuse it, or gl ously advance it.

On one occasion Jesus said, "I am Light of the World," then also said, are the light of the world." It is a sha responsibility. In the same way the Chu is a shared responsibility, a mutual tr The Son of God says, "It is *My* Churc Yet at once He says, "It is *your* Churc We must add to it our best, even as has already given it His best.

It has wisely been said that we sho pray as though it all depended on G then go to work as though it all depend on us.

We may well examine our own church our own youth groups, and our own li by this standard. Do we fully and gra fully acknowledge the Lordship of the t Head of the Church? Do we love Church and give ourselves devotedly to ahead of all other things because we kn it is Christ's, and we are Christ's? And we assume enough responsibility in church because we know it is our duty a privilege, and that no one else can do assigned part?

My Church — Christ's Church

No. 2 in a Series: "Christian Endeavor Week—Youth Week"

Matthew 16:13-18a
(Christian Endeavor Day)

or High (12-14 Years) *FEBRUARY 7*

*ments by Mrs. Richard Cattermole**

tter of Prayer

ou are the leader for this week's meet-ours is a high privilege since you will ebrating the birthday of Christian En-—Christian Endeavor Day. As for eeting for which you prepare, prayer come first. Pray that your meeting e an inspiration and help to all your members. Pray that through you ill work in the hearts of your group.

tter of Direction

aim of this lesson is to provide a for your group to measure your lo-urch in the light of Christ's Church. ing this, then, is the challenge, "How e make our church more like Christ's Church?"

tter of Preparation

re are unlimited possibilities for ad-study on this topic. Much of great t may be read about the early Chris-artyrs and the struggles of the Church is Christ, as well as the histories of eat leaders in the church reforms. To just a few good books on the subject: *Book of Martyrs*
hurch of Our Fathers by Roland H. ton (Scribners)
ship of the Saints, compiled by mas S. Kepler (Abingdon)
t do some research in your local . Through your pastor secure the of folks on your church board whom uld interview. You need not do it all lf; give others assignments. Instruct to find out all they can about the gs of your church. If you prefer, members of the board to your society g and tell them to be prepared to be ewed there.

might also ask your pastor to prepare history of your denomination as well rief history of your own church. If not do this, he can tell you where to e information.

your Consecration Service as part of Christian Endeavor Week celebration, pared to give information about the an Endeavor movement, its history, les, motto and pledge. Send to In-onal Headquarters, 1221 East Broad Columbus 16, Ohio, for copies of rrent folder, "A Vital Program for " (free in limited quantities).

tter of Promotion

eograph handbills which you may to your members and prospective ers containing the topic, date, time, of meeting, and these familiar lines try: "What kind of a church would urch be if every member were just e?" On the bottom place the sentence, and discuss Christian Endeavor's

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Third Basic Principle, 'Loyalty to Christ's Church.' "

Suggested Program

A short Consecration Service based on the principle of Loyalty would be most appropriate. Begin by asking for testimonies as to what Christian Endeavor has meant in the lives of those present. Have others review the principles, history and pledge. Provide an opportunity for those who have never signed the pledge to do so, making sure they understand the commitment they are making. Finally, concentrate on Loyalty by writing that word vertically on the blackboard and asking for Scripture verses beginning with each letter, the verses representing in some way why this loyalty is important. For example:

L ook unto me . . . Isaiah 45:22a
O pen thy mouth . . . Psalm 81:10b
Y e are not your own . . . I Cor. 6:19b
A rise, therefore . . . I Chron. 22:16b
L et your light . . . Matthew 5:16a
T ake my yoke . . . Matthew 11:29a
Y e are the light . . . Matthew 5:14a

Give each member a copy of the folder "A Vital Program for Youth." Discuss briefly the page entitled " . . . through Loyalty to Christ's Church."

Topic Discussion

Introduction

Jesus called His disciples to be "fishers of men." This was the beginning of the Christian Church. The Greek word for church, *ecclesia,* means "Those who are called." From this comes the Italian *chiesa* and the French *eglise.* Another Greek word, *kuriake,* meaning "the Lord's House" gives us the English word *church,* the Scotch *kirk* and the German *Kirche.*

Christ's Church—The New Testament Church

The body of believers in Jesus Christ, which is the Church, has been His representative from the time He established it (see Scripture text). Thus we see its beginnings were very humble. There were comparatively few who took this movement of Christianity seriously. The Lord blessed and multiplied the work in a short time, however, as men and women experienced conversion through the work of the Holy Spirit.

Even a hurried trip through the book of Acts within your discussion time, scanning the chapter headings, will acquaint the group with the story of the New Testament Church. You will find there were many struggles and much persecution. The account of the life of the Apostle Paul is enough to point out the fact that a Christian found it necessary to live the life of a very brave and heroic person if he were to be true to Christ and His Gospel. In fact, we can never study the early Church without taking in the life and conversion of Paul. He truly exemplified the beginning of the spread of Christ's Church and was, in fact, the first Christian missionary.

The doctrine of the New Testament Church was simple. The Christians were known by their acts—and of course the basis of Christ's Gospel was (and is) love. Organization was lacking as we note Christ's command to His followers to travel without script, extra clothing, money, etc. As churches were established in the local communities it became necessary to have church officials (the first of these were deacon, elder, and bishop). In spite of persecution, the great expansion of the Church continued and for efficiency as well as protection, the early followers banded together.

Christ's Church—My Denomination a Part

From the report your pastor has helped you prepare in regard to your denomination, discuss the following:

1. The basic doctrine of your denomination, what you believe about Jesus Christ, the Bible, Salvation and Conversion, Baptism and Communion, and Christ's Second Coming.
2. The difference between your denomination and others (especially others located in your community).
3. The work of the leaders of your denomination as it developed from its beginnings.

Christ's Church—My Church

Now let's narrow our discussion down to the very church of which you are a part, the one in which you worship. Use the information you have secured from your church officials to open a discussion. Ask questions such as: What has our church done and what is it doing in the total program of Christ's Church? What services and organizations does our church offer? What leadership has our church developed through the years?

If some officials plan to be with you in your meeting you could pattern your discussion after the program, "Youth Wants to Know" and have your Junior High group ask questions of the officials on a panel.

Looking Back (To Go Forward)

The marks of Christ's Church when it was the original early Church of the disciples were:

1. The Missionary Drive—Matthew 28:19,20
2. The Practices—Acts 2:42
3. The Growth—Acts 4:4
4. Concern for all its members—Acts 2:44-47.

How does your church measure up against these standards? Are these things present in your own church? Where is there room for improvement? In what ways can your society members both individually and as a group help your church to be more aware of the true responsibility it has in our world today? What can you do to help "mark" your church as a loyal witness to the saving grace of Jesus Christ?

Answer the question on your handbill you made up for publicity, "What kind of a church would my church be if every member were just like me?"

"Liberty and Justice for All"

No. 1 in a Series: "Concerns for Christian Citizenship"

I Corinthians 12:1-13
(Race Relations Sunday)

Senior-Young People (15-24 Years) *FEBRUARY*

*Comments by Dr. Bastian Kruithof**

Aims

1. To see clearly what the terms *liberty* and *justice* mean.
2. To understand what *all* means in our scriptural passage.
3. To apply the scriptural meaning of *liberty* and *justice* to all.

Leader

The leader should review briefly the basic ideas of the daily readings from Scripture from February 8 through February 14 on Page 9.

Publicity

1. Give statistics of different races represented in your school.
2. Display pictures of racial groups. Clippings from newspapers, magazines, and religious periodicals will serve well.
3. Prepare poster of Jesus with the words: "I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service
Hymn: *There's a New Day Dawning*
Scripture: I Corinthians 12:1-13; I Corinthians 13
Prayers
Hymn: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*
Announcements
Offering
Prayer
Hymn: *Send the Light*
Leader's Talk
Discussion
Hymn: *More Like the Master*
Benediction

Study of I Corinthians 12:1-13

In addressing the Corinthians Paul is writing to a church that has some very marked sins. Yet he calls them saints. It is good to keep this in mind as an answer to those who like to criticize the churches as full of hypocrites. Christians do not hold that any church is perfect. But it is the duty of church members as Christians to strive for perfection.

There were divisions in the church at Corinth, and there was a misunderstanding in regard to spiritual gifts. Pride entered in where humility should have ruled.

The Apostle maintains that God has distributed various gifts to different people. Some are able to prophesy, others are able to heal. Some can speak with tongues; others can interpret what is said. Some have knowledge; others have wisdom.

But the big point is that in the midst of the diversity there is always unity in the Church. All can and should benefit from the various gifts. For the Church is one body in Christ; in fact, it is the body of Christ though there are many members.

How could there be a physical body if there were not different members? The head is not the foot. The stomach is not the heart. The arm is not the leg. It is the various parts, functioning well together, that make up the healthy body.

The universe also contains various parts. There are stars and planets, mountains and valleys, plains and rivers, trees, grass, and flowers. It all adds up to variations in unity.

So it must be in the Church of Christ. There are preachers and teachers, lay members with various gifts. There are those who have knowledge, and there are those who are good at practical matters. Some have more wisdom than others. Some are just nice folk with no special gifts. But all belong to Christ and to one another.

The Church throughout the world is made up of various peoples and races speaking in various languages. Yet in Christ they are one.

The Spill-Over

Our subject deals with liberty and justice for all. The passage chosen from Scripture does not exactly deal with that, but it does form the basis for the unity that should exist in the midst of variations. Our passage also deals with members of the Church. But the Church has a duty in society and must preach and teach the principles of Christianity.

When Paul speaks about liberty, he means freedom from dead tradition and from a wooden conception of the law. Many of the early Christians were Jews, and they still clung to the observance of the law to the extent that they wanted the new, Gentile Christians to adopt Jewish regulations. Paul thought that was absolutely unnecessary. He looked upon that as submission to slavery. He believed in the freedom that Christ gives. All a person had to do was to believe in Jesus Christ, be baptized, and that way become a Christian.

Twenty years ago the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt enunciated the Four Freedoms: freedom of speech and worship; freedom from want and from fear. That statement applied to all peoples, not specifically to the churches. It implied religious, moral, political, and economic freedom. Our Scripture passages do not speak specifically of these freedoms. But in line with the whole Bible they do lay the foundation for freedom. Roosevelt's Four Freedoms could not have been expressed in a world that had never known the Word of God. These freedoms are a spill-over from the teachings of Scripture. Or, in other words, the Bible does give us basic principles for all peoples.

QUESTIONS

1. What does Christianity think of the individual?
2. How can Christianity be a leaven in society?
3. How does God's justice affect us?
4. How do the Four Freedoms relate to freedom in Christ?
5. What is the relation between faith and good works?

The same can be said in regard to ju
The Bible reveals God as a just God.
all-righteous, and He wants His peop
be just and to practice justice. The pro
of the Old Testament stress that; the
mon on the Mount and the Book of J
are full of it. True justice comes
through what Jesus Christ did on the C
Believing in Him we become righteou

Again there is the spill-over. The
ciples of God's Word must be applie
our relations to all peoples. We ca
make them all Christians, but we can
tice justice among the nations and race

The Race Problem

As this is Race Relations Sunday we
the vexing problems of race relations.
have solved the problems somewhat or
mission fields where we bring the G
to any and all races without discrimina
but we have not solved them in our
backyard.

The best beginning is to get t
straightened out in our own thinking.
must begin with the teaching from S
ture that we should love God above all
our neighbor as ourselves. In a sinful v
there are inequalities, suppression, cl
The Christian way is to look upo
human beings as made in the image of
and as such worthy by God's grac
liberty and justice.

That truth must begin more and mo
shine through our thinking and practic
must not remain theory. For instance,
race must not look upon another as inf
Christ did not die only for one race;
has His people among all races.

Then there are the practical prob
Will different races attend school toge
Will they live as neighbors? Though
sometimes are serious problems, the
always the basic principle that we are
than our brother's keepers; we are his b
ers in Christ.

A stricter hewing to the line of Chri
thought is essential for all. Prayer, pati
and wisdom are necessary. Thoughtless
careless statements do not do any good,
may do a great deal of harm.

The International Scene

One of Christianity's greatest enemie
day is Communism. It keeps many pe
enslaved. Its notions about liberty and
tice are not the same as ours thoug
professes to be for the people. Th
where the West, benefitting from the
over of Christianity, can do a lot of
It is doing so.

Christianity is against oppression, ag
the enslaving of minorities. The so-c
Christian nations are by no means pe
They also have departed at times
Christian standards. But the Christian
pact is still a power among them.

It is up to us as Christians to be the
citizens of our country and of the
because we are Christian citizens, conce
about righteousness, freedom, and pea

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ur Christian Witness to Other Races

No. 1 in a Series: "Witnessing for Christ"

Acts 10:34,35
(Race Relations Sunday)

or High (12-14 Years) *FEBRUARY 14*

*Comments by Kate Vanderberg**

ested Program Outline

ayer Service
ncements
ng Hymns: *All Hail the Power of s' Name; We've a Story to Tell to the ons*
ure: Acts 10:34,35

ng
Living for Jesus
r's introduction of and presentation he Topic
sion
ce Prayers
h Benediction after the singing of *I e to Tell the Story*

ducing the Topic

is Race Relations Sunday. The word ons" in the title suggests that there be a tie that binds the nations of orld in a bond of fellowship. The of this relationship should be Jesus who made redemption possible for all

ause of our modern means of trans-on and communication, the far cor-f the earth are nearer and more easily d than ever before. The various ies of the world are not merely "pink " on the map. We also find people ferent races living near us wherever ay be.

at is our Christian witness to other Let us take note of what Jesus says ing it. (At this point ask five people ave been notified beforehand to read llowing passages to the group: Mat-24:14a; Matthew 28:19,20; Mark Luke 24:46-48; Acts 1:8.) You will that Jesus is very specific about the of witnessing to all people. Jesus ot suggest, but rather *commands* His ers to do so.

Presentation

Scripture lesson for today in Acts 35 is part of the sermon Peter ed at the home of Cornelius in Cae-If you are familiar with the context 10:1-33) you will know that before could preach such a sermon on race ns, he had to learn a lesson on that t himself. Peter learned it only after ave him a jolt that salvation was also hers, not only for the Jews. Cornelius Gentile.

er learned his lesson well, and preached God is no respecter of persons: but in nation he that feareth him, and th righteousness is accepted with Righteousness can only be obtained elieving in the Lord Jesus Christ gh whom we come to God. In believ-Christ as our Saviour, we are right-in God's sight, since God sees us gh the atoning work of Jesus. So then, lievers are children of God; the "chil-

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AIM OF THE TOPIC

1. To have a growing conviction that Jesus is counting upon us to be His witnesses to all races of people.

2. To show how Christian Endeavor helps break down racial barriers.

3. To show how Christian Endeavorers can contribute to better racial relationships.

dren" therefore must be brothers and sisters in the Lord, regardless of race or color.

Do you remember with what enthusiasm you used to sing in the Primary Department, "Red, and yellow, black, and white; all are precious in His sight; Jesus loves the little children of the world"? That song still holds good and these "little children" whom you used to sing about are growing up along with you and are also preparing, as you are, to take their places in adult living, some near you and some in distant parts of the world. Can you do anything to bring Christ to them?

Anyone who has given his life to Christ has the blessed privilege to tell others about Him. Even though you are a Christian, you may think your responsibility is small because you are only of Junior High age. You feel you should wait to speak to others about Christ until you are older? The Bible does not excuse you from witnessing for your Lord because of your age. In fact, you are in a unique position to reach people who may not otherwise be reached.

Have you invited that lonely student who sits across from you in study hall to visit your Christian Endeavor meeting? Have you asked that shy individual who is working with you on some school project to attend your Christian Endeavor social with you? If not, why not?

Discussion Questions

1. Must we really feel that people of all races are our brothers and sisters?

(Answer. If we are Christians we will recognize the spiritual relationship which is ours to all those who believe in our blessed Saviour.)

2. Is it possible for all races to work together harmoniously in view of our wide differences in culture, customs, and religious background?

(Answer. Whether that ideal Christian relationship can be realized before Jesus returns, waits to be seen. However, you should do your part to make the goal a little nearer. In all your contacts with all kinds of people let your light shine.)

3. How can Christian students at school make for better race relations?

(Answer. By being courteous to all students, regardless of race or color. No partiality should be shown; leadership abilities should be recognized regardless of race or color. Invite the students of different races to your school functions.)

4. How can we help adults to understand other races better?

(Answer. Inform adults of your experiences at school as you harmoniously work together for the good of your school.)

5. How does Christian Endeavor help break down racial barriers?

(Answer. a. Christian Endeavor is international and interracial, including all people; b. Christ made no distinction between kinds of people; c. There is an area of service for all young people, not based upon race, but upon consecration to the cause of Christ for which Christian Endeavor stands, through the avenue of the Church.)

Activity Suggestions

1. Since this is Race Relations Sunday, it would be a friendly gesture to invite a youth group of a different race to meet with you.

2. Correspond with Christian Endeavorers in other lands.

3. Exchange Christian literature with other countries. Send Bibles.

(The first suggestion above is from the Program guide for Christian Endeavor Societies, Junior High Packet, 1959-1960. The other suggestions are taken from the folder, "A Vital Program for Youth." These materials may be obtained from the International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Also write to them for names of societies and young people in other lands in order to carry out the above projects.)

TO THINK ABOUT

We have a Saviour who loves us and saved us.

We have this Gospel message to tell to all people.

There are listeners everywhere.

Christ will be with us always.

There is a universal need for what we have.

There is pardon for the sinner.

Jesus Christ expects us to witness for Him.

So why are we waiting?

For the Counselor

The entire tenth chapter of Acts can be used profitably; it deals with the man Cornelius, who was outside the Jewish circle since he was a Gentile. God included him. God is no respecter of persons; all those who will accept Christ are righteous in God's sight.

It might be well to acquaint certain members beforehand with the discussion questions and the correct answers, so that you will be sure that the desired answers will eventually conclude the question under discussion.

Hymns listed in program outlines in THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD have been selected from CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SONGS. This book, with an attractive red and white paper cover, contains 113 songs and hymns for youth meetings. Available from International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Price: 50c each, $5 per dozen, $40 per hundred.

The Finished Product

No. 2 in a Series: "Concerns for Christian Citizenship"

Romans 1:18-32

Senior-Young People (15-24 Years) *FEBRUARY*

*Comments by Rev. Walter M. Burkholder**

Purpose of the Lesson

To arouse an awareness in our thinking of the magnitude of the problem of alcohol and narcotics.

To discover how much effort is being put forth for the spread of this destructive force, in relation to effort being put forth to spread the truth about alcohol and other narcotics to eliminate the problem.

To see again the physical and the spiritual effects of this evil on both the individual and the community.

To seek to discover more effective means at our disposal for positive action against this deception and destruction of mankind.

Publicity Suggestions

Make posters for the bulletin boards around such ideas as: "The unveiling of the finished product"; "Man plus the bottle equals??"

Do not forget that nothing can take the place of personal contact and invitation.

Preparation

Preparation for this lesson should be made at least two weeks in advance to insure time for some of the following projects to be completed and reports to be prepared for the meeting.

Project Suggestions

1. Make a survey of magazines and newspapers in homes of members and in the school or public library and compile lists of those which do and those which do not publish liquor advertising. Bring in samples of the deceptive kinds of advertising that are being placed before our youth today.

2. Make a radio and television survey of one complete broadcast day to determine the amount of time given by local stations and networks to the advertising of alcoholic beverages. (Why not also include tobacco in the survey?) Perhaps some of the adult ladies will help with the daytime hours that members cannot take.

3. Invite a judge, district attorney, social worker, doctor or policeman to give an anonymous case history of their work with the finished product of alcohol or narcotics.

4. Look for reliable statistics on the cost of alcohol and narcotics to the county, state or province, and nation for correctional and penal institutions, as well as mental institutions. Your pastor, the local Women's Christian Temperance Union, or Alcoholics Anonymous may be able to help you find this information. You might also try the periodical index of your local or school library for sources of materials.

5. Have the members of your society write to the management of your local radio and television stations protesting the amount and quality of the deceptive advertising that is being done. (This could be a follow up of the program.)

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PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

Pre-Prayer Service
Prelude: **Rise Up, O Men of God**
Call to Worship: "Be not deceived, God is not mocked: whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Galations 6:7)
Invocation
Hymn: **I Need Jesus**
Scripture Lesson: Romans 1:18-32
Prayer Hymn: **Be Thou Near**
Prayer Period: Three persons leading in specific prayers for the following:
1. The cause of temperance education
2. Spiritual and moral courage that youth in your community will take their stand for purity of life
3. The souls of victims of alcohol or narcotics in your community (use names of individuals if information is certain and the use of names will not cause any embarrassment to members of the society)

Project Reports
Discussion of Reports
Decisions for Further Action
Hymn: **I Would Be Like Jesus**
Mizpah Benediction

6. Bring in a list of agencies that are at work in your community to combat the traffic in human destruction that is being carried on by the liquor industry and dope peddlers. Find out all the information you can about each one.

7. Write to your state or provincial legislators and ask for information on bills that are being proposed or may be proposed that will deal with the sale and use of liquor or narcotics. Write to your congressman or member of parliament for the same information at the national level. Keep your church and community informed on these measures.

The Age-Old Problem

The problem of alcohol is almost as old as man. It is found among all races and in almost every stage of the cultural development of man. It always has the same result, whether it is the use of the commercialized and highly glamourized beverages of today or the kind the Eskimo makes by chewing birch bark and letting the juice ferment in the sun.

According to *Science Newsletter* of August 1959, alcoholism is America's Number 3 health problem. There are more than 4.5 million problem drinkers in the United States, according to the *U. S. News and World Report* article of August 24, 1959 (See page 72 ff.), and of these 80% are under fifty years of age. The incidence of alcoholism exceeds that of tuberculosis by 10%, cancer by 50% and polio by 225%. According to an article in *Reader's Digest*, "The Insidious Nature of Social Drinking" (see February 1959 issue, page 53 ff.) forty million Americans are affected in some way by this subtle deterioration. It has its effects on the spiritual, social, mental and hence the occupational efficiency of its victims.

Since 1945 there have been 42 states have adopted legislation recognizing holism as a public health problem and created agencies to deal with it.

Why So Great a Problem?

The major problem is in the facing for what it truly is. Probably no problem of any social consequence has more rationalized than alcoholism. S say it is merely an emotional illness, o attribute it to insecurity, others to phys weakness, and still others claim it a needed stimulant or as a necessary rel from tensions. Few will admit that t is any moral or spiritual implication.

The Bible says, "Wine is a mocker, st drink is raging: and whosoever is decei thereby is not wise" (Proverbs 20:1). Bible has much to say about drinking drunkenness. The messages of the prop were frequently directed to this subject to the resultant judgment if it contin History proves the result to nations have not heeded the warnings as to true nature of the problem.

Paul says to the Corinthians, "Know not that ye are the temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If man defile the temple of God, him s God destroy; for the temple of God is h which temple ye are" (I Corinthians 3: 17).

In spite of all the advertising that to glamourize the all-rightness of alc and the acceptableness of social drink almost everyone is fully aware of the verse effects it has on the human body mind, as well as the danger of its ha forming quality that enslaves its users.

It impairs nearly all the faculties of users, but its main effect is first seen in w it does to the brain: judgments are paired, vision distorted, reflexes slow other normal organic functions retard This certainly defiles the body, which P describes as the temple of God. Why t should we not class this as a moral spiritual issue as much as are adultery other things that we readily accept as Why the inconsistency about all this?

We spend great sums of money every y for research on cancer, heart disease, many others; but we go right on rationaliz a greater problem than these others and that contributes to them. We permit co mercial manufacture of the thing that stroys millions of people and allow manufacturer to make an exorbitant pr on the destruction of his fellow men. allow every media of advertising to par the deceptive propaganda of the rightn of social drinking when we know that a h percentage of the users will eventually come enslaved and even destroyed by effects. Why? Why? Why?

Look at the finished product before decide to take that first drink. If we l at the finished product, a word to the w should be sufficient.

What Is Evangelism?

No. 2 in a Series: "Witnessing for Christ"

Luke 19:1-10

or High (12-14 Years)

FEBRUARY 21

*ments by Rev. Harry A. Shuster, Jr.**

Aim of the Lesson Plan

give the topic leader practical experi-
n directing an intelligent discussion.

seling the Counselor

topic discussion cannot be read. It
igned to help the discussion leader
through the topic. Your responsibility
e to assist him in doing this. The role
leader in this presentation is to direct
inking of the group and to channel
hat direction which will prove to be
eneficial.

can help in at least two ways. First,
e leader know that you are available
lp in preparing the topic discussion.
dly, by your selected comments and
ns during the topic discussion you
elp steer the direction of the discus-
owever, be careful not to monopolize.

for Programming

your worship center create a three-
sional effect by using a picture of a
for the background. A few inches
d place two figures in a position
suggests that one is inviting the other
end church. This can be done by
cut-out pictures on cardboard so
ey will stand erect or by using scale
and a church model such as are used
in platforms.

opening remarks should reveal the
of the meeting around which the
m should be woven.

entence or two either before or after
ading of the Scripture will be helpful
wing the relationship of its message
entire program.

hymns selected should include, *Saved*
l Others and *We've a Story to Tell*
Nations.

show the important place which Chris-
Endeavor gives to evangelism in its
m, it would be advisable to assign
young people the task of giving a
eview of two items available from the
ational Society of Christian Endeavor,
g Others Along" and "What Is Evan-
?"

nting the Topic

Begin

questions similar to the following:
you read an exceptionally good book,
did you do about it? When you re-
a very useful or valuable gift, how
lid it take you to tell a friend about
you recovered from a painful illness
se of the skill and knowledge of a
physician, how would you react upon
g that one of your friends was suf-
from the same disease?

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regational Church of Palmerton, Penn-
nia.

THE AIM OF THE TOPIC

To help young people discover that evangelism is an integral part of life and not merely a rigid, dictated program of the church.

To help young people discover that the spirit of evangelism is expressed in many areas of life.

To help young people discover natural, practical ways of expressing an evangelistic concern.

The purpose of these questions is to stimulate the thinking of the group around the fact that we are willing to share with others many of our experiences.

In comparison, help the group to realize the need for also sharing the experience of God's love, concern and mercy as revealed through Jesus Christ. This is what is called "evangelism," sharing with others that which has been experienced through a personal encounter with God.

How to Proceed

Think of various things which are involved in sharing one's faith with another. Stimulate thinking by again asking questions. Use the analogy of a person suffering from a rare disease. The question could be phrased, "Why would you want to help a person who was sick by sharing with him information which might be the means by which he would recover from the disease?" In the discussion which follows emphasize the fact that help is offered because of a person's concern for his friend, because of love for his friend, and because of knowledge, from personal experience, of the pain his friend would have to endure.

This attitude of concern and of sympathetic understanding of others in need is an important attitude for the purpose of sharing one's faith. Friends who have not experienced God's love and forgiveness are sick souls who are suffering from sin. Some are troubled with the problem of guilt, others lack the power to overcome temptation. From personal experience you can guide them into that experience by which they shall discover the cure for their soul sickness.

From this we discover three important facets of evangelism. First, a person in need. Secondly, a person with a sympathetic understanding and concern to help meet that need and relieve that problem in another's life. Thirdly, the advice or counsel which will help meet the problem.

Discuss first the relationship which should exist between a person in need and another who seeks to help meet that need. Such an attitude of loving concern allows no room for a feeling of superiority. It is rather an attitude in which you, "a sinner saved by accepting the love God offers," now extend help to "a sinner who has not availed himself of the opportunity of God's love."

Give consideration to the type of help which you will extend. You can emphasize the truth involved by asking, "In sharing with the sick friend the knowledge that there is a doctor who can cure him, are you not trying to encourage your friend to decide to go see the doctor and receive his help?" Likewise, in sharing your faith, your ultimate purpose is to seek for a decision—acceptance of the love and forgiveness God offers through Jesus Christ and allowing the Holy Spirit to control.

The question which logically follows is, "How are we going to communicate this message?" Present this illustrative problem to the group in the following way. Ask, "If you wanted to communicate with someone, how would you go about it? If you had an invitation for someone to go to a party, how would you communicate with him?" The answers might include these thoughts: speak to him in person, call him on the phone, ask a friend to relate the message, write a letter. Ask the group to suggest other ways people communicate ideas. Lead the group to think along these lines: by writing, newspapers or books; by a person's actions, holding hands, a kiss, etc.; through the arts, painting, music, architecture.

How does this add to our understanding of evangelism? It suggests various methods by which a person can directly and indirectly express an evangelistic concern. Encourage the group to formulate these ideas into methods of evangelism. These might be included:

In a discussion about different churches or different beliefs among your school associates, you can directly express your personal faith.

You can invite your friend to your church where the message proclaimed involves a decision.

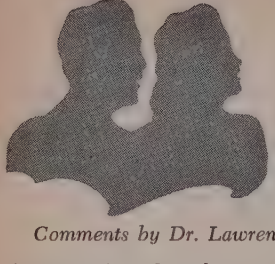
As a Christian you can allow the love of God to reveal itself through you by a loving attitude to people in need of friends . . . by an understanding attitude toward people who need understanding instead of criticism.

A definite act which will meet a specific need in the life of a family can also be the channel through which a person can experience the love of God.

A film with a Christian message or the financial support of a home or foreign missionary are still other methods.

How to Conclude

Perhaps from this discussion you can develop a definite program of evangelism for your society, utilizing some of the ideas which have been presented in the meeting. Appoint a committee to investigate the possibilities and to submit to the group a suggested plan of action. The Christian Endeavor booklet entitled, "How to Win Youth," will be an invaluable aid.



Veto Vandalism!

No. 3 in a Series: "Concerns for Christian Citizenship"

Isaiah 59:1-8

Senior-Young People (15-24 Years) *FEBRUARY*

*Comments by Dr. Lawrence M. Bixler**

Preparation for the Meeting

It is imperative to bear in mind the purpose of the meeting. The topic was chosen as an important facet of the development of Christian citizenship. If one is to know how to prevent vandalism and know the meaning of Christian citizenship, one should know something of the causes of or contributing factors to juvenile delinquency. Any adequate solution must be based upon an understanding of the problem.

To add to the meeting a police or juvenile officer might be asked to speak to the group, with a question period following.

Pictures of juvenile vandalism might be used on posters to advertise the meeting.

For the Leader

Almost every issue of any newspaper carries an account or accounts of acts of vandalism. A great percentage of such destruction is carried on by young people under legal age. At times young people have destroyed property by just being careless, but at other times the destruction of property is a deliberate act. We want to discuss what makes young people want to destroy property, what can be done to instill in them the respect for property, and what can be done to veto vandalism.

The following statement by Vice-President Richard M. Nixon points up some things which should make young people concerned about vandalism and all other forms of juvenile delinquency. He has said:

"The greatness of a nation is not piled up wealth, its armaments, or even its treasures of art, science and literature.

"The greatness of a nation is in its people. The youth of today are the inheritors and trustees-to-be of our great country and its beloved institutions. But juvenile delinquency is an ominous sign on our horizon of hope for a better tomorrow. All of us must bend every effort to find the cause and then the cure.

"Whatever may be ascribed as the cause or causes there certainly can be no better place to begin the cure than in the church." (Quoted from the Foreword of Coming in On The Beam by Gordon McLean and used by permission.)

Several questions pose themselves with regard to the topic, "Veto Vandalism!" What are the causes of vandalism? How can respect of ownership be instilled in youth? What are some ways to veto vandalism? What can Christian Endeavor do?

What Are the Causes of Vandalism?

The causes of vandalism, like any other form of delinquency, are not as simple or as easily defineable as is sometimes supposed. In studies made of quite a number of delinquents as compared to non-delinquents there are several distinguishable differences between the two groups. In temperament the delinquent group seemed to be more restlessly energetic, aggressive, impulsive, introverted and destructive than did the non-delinquent group.

Probably the key to understanding vandalism, or any form of delinquent behavior, is to be found in destructiveness and impulsiveness. Destructiveness generally stems from deep resentments of some kind. Impulsiveness stems from the lack of discipline which builds self-control.

Thus, there is usually a deep resentment for any type of authority and feelings of insecurity even toward his own ability. This insecurity is often covered by an outward demonstration of boastfulness and "bullying." Some have to demonstrate to themselves that they aren't really bullying, so they destroy something. Such acts, so they think, assure them that they are "not chicken." Of course, it does not cure their basic problem of insecurity as this rests upon what others think of us as well as our own image of ourselves. Since acts of vandalism cause rejection, then such an approach has the net result of deepening one's feelings of insecurity.

The delinquent group shows certain attitudes that were not found, at least to the degree of being dominant, in the non-delinquent group. The delinquents are hostile, resentful, socially assertive, and defiant. They are usually non-submissive to authority. Acts of vandalism are outward ways of demonstrating hostility and defiance of authority.

In his thinking the delinquent lacks the ability to abstract; thus, concepts such as love, forgiveness, and faith are difficult for him to grasp. He is often unaware of there being consequences to certain acts. He thinks only of the moment.

Socio-culturally delinquents come from homes in which there is little understanding, affection, stability, or moral fiber.

As we note these comparisons of delinquents and non-delinquents it gives some illumination to the problem of vandalism. Vandalism is one form of delinquency; thus, contributing factors to juvenile delinquency in general are significant in our understanding of vandalism in particular.

How Can Vandalism Be Vetoed?

There are several suggested ways of preventing vandalism. Some people have suggested more stringent laws and a str enforcement of laws. What are some t that can be said in regard to the val such an approach? What are its limitat

Other people suggest the punishme the parents of delinquent children or y people. There is no evidence that thi tually helps. In fact, several studies w were made of this practice showed the trary to be true.

A more effective approach is to att to discover those things which seem t contributing factors to this problem; take steps to eliminate them. Accord the facts discovered concerning delinqu indicate that the home and family is a portant place to start. We should homes in which are found affection, proper kind of discipline, and feelin security.

What Can the Church and Chris Endeavor Do About Vandalism?

The Christian message emphasizes necessity of love which implies respec other people and their property. It stresses the need for self-control. A C tian's resentments soon vanish when comes to God in prayer and devotion. fellowship provided by the church and groups within it are deterrent to vanda Especially is this true if young people given some guidance at home.

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Additional Helps

Secure copies of the folder, "Wha Christian Citizenship?" from the Inte tional Society of Christian Endeavor (3 dozen); distribute to members of the s ety.

Use the article, "This *You* Can Do," Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, which peared in the December 1959 issue of T CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM OUTLINE

Pre-Prayer Service
Hymn: **Give of Your Best to the Master**
Pledge to the American (or Canadian) and Christian flags
Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 59:1-8
Prayer Hymn: **I Would Be Like Jesus**
Prayer
Discussion of the Topic
Closing Hymn: **O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee**
Benediction

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What Is a Lifework Recruit?

No. 3 in a Series: "Witnessing for Christ"

Isaiah 6:1-8

r High (12-14 Years) *FEBRUARY 28*

*mments by Mrs. R. E. LeRiche**

ıce Preparation

r the folder, "What Is a Lifework ?" from your nearest source of sup- from the International Society of an Endeavor. Price is 35 cents a

your pastor and any others in your who are full-time Christian workers present and give their testimonies. y, with a typewriter if possible, the nies given in this meeting. They vritten especially for this topic. Ask who are to read them to practice them aloud so they can do it well.

e an Atmosphere

two large calendar pages showing a on each one. Carefully color the s and the Tuesdays through Satur- n one and on the other the Sundays ıy portions of other days your group on the Lord's work. Arrange these will stand up on a table in the front room. In front of the calendar with days colored, arrange the picture r pastor and some missionaries from hurch. In front of the second place pictures of members of your Christian vor society. Lacking these use some ine pictures of wholesome looking people.

er's Presentation

Lifework Recruit Pledge is: "Feel- yself called by the Holy Spirit, and g in the Lord Jesus Christ for th, I promise Him that from this day I will strive to shape the plans of my that I may give myself wholly to rvice of Christ and the Church."

s decision is made when a person has accepted Christ as his Saviour es the Holy Spirit has called him to the plans of his life and his educa- o prepare himself for specializing in form of employed Christian service. l calls certain ones to His fields. In ible we have record of many of those as chosen. I have asked four of our to read four of the calls of His ı ones to their life work.

Moses	Exodus 3:2-12
Gideon	Judges 6:11-16
Elisha	I Kings 19:19-21
Paul	Acts 22:17-21

e Lord has a call for some of us, per- Will we be as willing as was Isaiah? all to turn to Isaiah 6 and read ter verses 1 through 8.)

topic tonight gives us some testi- s of those who were Lifework Re- and are now serving the Lord in var- fields. After I have introduced the ı, will those who have the testimonies read them as though they were an- ıg roll call.

LeRiche, vice-president of the International ty in charge of the Pacific Region, lives in le, Washington.

Personal Testimonies

Leader: Clyde W. Meadows is the pastor of the King Street United Brethren in Christ Church in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. He has held this pastorate for 31 years. Last July at the convention in Philadelphia he was elected president of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

Dr. Meadows: "As a boy in my late teens God called me into full-time Christian service as a minister. I knew what that meant for my father and my mother had both been ministers and I wanted no part of it. I took the Christian Endeavor Pledge and joined a small Christian Endeavor society. That pledge got on my conscience and there was no rest in my heart until I admitted I was called to the ministry and became a Lifework Recruit. Since that time my life has been full, free, abundant and happy."

Leader: Cecil A. Jeffery is the extension secretary of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

Cecil Jeffery: "I signed the Lifework Recruit Pledge while I was still in high school. I had a scholarship to college, but barely got started when my father was taken from us and I had to take care of the family. I had hoped to become a minister and was bitter when I thought all hope was gone. Opportunities came to be active in Christian Endeavor union work. I was elected president of the Los Angeles County Union and later president of the California Christian Endeavor Union. Never did I get over the desire to serve Christ full time but tried to serve Him faithfully through my home church and Christian Endeavor. On March 1, 1958, the Lord led my wife and me to Columbus, Ohio, where I have been serving as extension secretary of the International Society of Christian Endeavor half-time and the other half as general secretary of Ohio Christian Endeavor Union. Mine is a big task and I feel so inadequate at times. But truly, 'He is able to make all grace abound' and 'His strength is made perfect in weakness.' "

Leader: Next we will hear from Rev. Robert Hess, the field secretary of the California Christian Endeavor Union.

Mr. Hess: "A Junior Society was organized in our church and I became a member. Not long after at a county convention in San Luis Obispo, I accepted Christ as Saviour. In high school early impressions were made that the fields of the world were ripe unto harvest. College preparatory courses led to a Christian Education major in Wheaton College. Though I was willing to go to fields across the oceans, these have been twenty years of joyous service for the American Sunday-School Union, and for almost six years as field secretary in California. God has supplied our need, and made His work to bear fruit."

Leader: Now that Alaska has become a state we are more aware of it. We will hear from Mrs. Wallace Bays, who is a registered nurse there. Before her marriage she was president of Seattle (Washington) District Christian Endeavor Union. Mr. Bays is a teacher.

Mrs. Bays: "Shortly after I became a Christian I dedicated my life for full-time Christian service. When the opportunity was given to sign the Lifework Recruit Pledge I did so, as I felt this was a strengthening of my covenant to the Lord. It also renewed my vision and put more emphasis on preparing myself for the Lord's service. At the present time we are serving on the field of Alaska near Anchorage to which the Lord called us. On September 8 we began the first year of the Victory Christian Training Center. This is a Christian high school for native teen-agers. We fulfill the requirements of the State of Alaska, plus Bible and vocational subjects. We would appreciate your prayers as we work here."

Leader: A doctor is next. While doing his internship, he was president of Seattle District Christian Endeavor Union. We will hear from Dr. Leslie M. Chaffee.

Dr. Chaffee: "When I first signed my pledge as a Lifework Recruit it represented a definite commitment to God. I felt God wanted me to serve Him in Christian service. I knew His plan would be best for me. The Lord led me to the University of Oregon Medical School for medical training. After having established a practice in Washington, I had opportunity to fulfill my desire to go to the mission field. For ten years I have worked in a mission hospital at Banso in the British Cameroons, West Africa. This has been very interesting and deeply satisfying because of the opportunity to heal bodily ills in this needy land, but more so because through the mission hospital thousands who might not have heard, now have heard the good news of life eternal through faith in Christ."

Leader: We will hear from another servant of God from Alaska, this time from Fairbanks. Helen Snyder Crabb was active as a Christian Endeavor officer before going to Alaska.

Mrs. Crabb: "The night is dark and cold, bright stars in the sky above, a lonely trail —but not alone, for my Lord Jesus is with me. At the top of the hill there are souls waiting before a warm fire to hear more of God's Word. Is the long hike worth while? the cold feet? the frosted face? Ah yes, I would do it a thousand times more for the Indian, Eskimo and white people of Alaska. When a "teen," God saved me. Then as I yielded to Him, He led me forth to serve Him. I thank God for dear Christian leaders of Christian Endeavor in my young life, and that I answered His call. 'My son, my daughter, give me thine heart (Proverbs 23:26).' "

Closing of Meeting

At this point call on the pastor and any others who have come as guests to your meeting. The pastor or adviser will then present the Lifework Recruit Pledge to the group and give opportunity for those who feel called to make a decision and record it on a Lifework Recruit Covenant form.

A Birthday Message

To Adults with Christian Endeavor Experience

AS Christian Endeavor enters its eightieth year of service, it has reason to look forward to continued growth and increased usefulness. Here is a youth force, or movement, founded on the idea of enlisting volunteers for training and for work "for Christ and the Church." Its formula of "learning by serving in Christian work" has succeeded under varied and changing circumstances.

The Christian Endeavor society is to be found at work anywhere and everywhere—in metropolitan churches, in the smaller city or village, at a rural crossroads. In newly settled areas a Sunday school and a Christian Endeavor society may serve as forerunners to a full-fledged Protestant church. Christian Endeavor is a mainstay of mission work for Christian youth. And unions formed by Christian Endeavor societies, representing a host of churches and denominations, speak and act as an interchurch brotherhood of youth.

In these past decades Christian Endeavor has been a means to win Christian decisions from a multitude of boys and girls passing from childhood into youth. Decisions for full-time Christian service have been common in these ranks. Volunteer leadership in a large number of churches in many denominations has been strengthened through the years by those who were recruited, trained and inspired for active Christian commitment through this society. Such leaders were growing in Christian service experience from youth onward.

By joining worship, witness and discussion to service in one's church in a large selection of activities or projects, the Christian Endeavor experience encourages personal responsibility and dedication in church membership. Those trained through such societies, within the church, are participants, not spectators.

BECAUSE the role of the individual—the volunteer—practicing his faith, is so much in the Protestant tradition, young people in Christian Endeavor sometimes wonder why some of their friends in other congregations lack a similar experience in preparing for church membership. They ask, "Why aren't young people taken seriously in some churches? Why is church membership made so effortless and carefree for young people?"

Surely the devotional and evangelistic spirit flows naturally among young Christians, and usually in young churches. But some adults believe young people prefer to gather weekly for fellowship and entertainment, and that few of their number seek to be equipped for future leadership and service. Christian Endeavor's interdenominational unions probably disturb some churchmen, who would rightly emphasize denominational loyalties to young Christians. (Christian Endeavorers know by experience that loyalty to one's home church and denomination has even greater meaning as one senses all the values of the Christian Cause as a whole.)

The result of taking youth's religion less seriously than in Francis E. Clark's day may be that the young member does not learn responsibility. Under such circumstances, churches may be preparing a host of young people for the spectator's or bystander's role.

Numerous church leaders, parents and youth counselors are helping to reverse the trends in young people's work. A growing number of churches, having turned for a time to a "less demanding" program, now avail themselves once again of Christian Endeavor's formula, methods and resources. Such congregations and their young people respond to: the idea of pledge or covenant for members of the volunteer youth group, the society's weekly devotional meetings offering discussion and fellowship, service projects and committee work related to the church's purposes, and interdenominational youth events that broaden faith and discipleship.

THIS is more than a report, since this message presents a *call* to Christian adults who have had past experience in Christian Endeavor. In their Christian Endeavor days these men and women heard often of "call" and "challenge," and the words continue to be significant! Here are call and challenge to those who gained from Christian Endeavor in their own
tures in Christian faith and Christian li
*Encourage the youth of today to uni
similar activities and ventures in their
church home.*

Here are specific ways to help:

1. Make available to young people and leaders today's plans, methods and resource organizing and developing a Christian End society for each age group.

2. Serve as counselors and (among Ju sponsors of such units.

3. Utilize the services of field staff of or provincial union and of the Internat Society of Christian Endeavor to encourage strengthen Christian Endeavor in the indiv churches and in the community at large.

4. If the idea of a Junior High society o Senior-Young People's society does not take immediately, try promoting some meetings activities for both age groups of a Chr Endeavor type. Utilizing the resources of u and the International Society, including CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD, propose sp programs and short-term projects at interva determine youth's response.

5. Encourage the congregation and its le to promote Christian Endeavor events of a p character, aiding young people throughou community to share in interdenominat fellowship. Help young people register for attend Christian Endeavor conventions.

In summary, let those who benefite past years from their participation in C tian Endeavor fellowship and training the youth of today an opportunity to u a form of Christian youth action that been so resultful in the life of the Ch

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"Mine Eyes Have Seen," Dr. Daniel A. Poling's new autobiography, is receiving much favorable comment. Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, speaking of the book, says, "This is a well written story of the life of a man who has lived richly and abundantly and at times dangerously for the Lord." Copies of the book are available at $5.00 each from the Publishing Department of the International Society.

News of Christian Endeavor in India tells of a conference for non-mission employees who have volunteered to give free service in places where paid evangelists and workers are not available. Rev. James D. Isaac, travelling secretary, spoke to the delegates about youth work, emphasizing Christian Endeavor organization and methods. Two training courses for Christian Endeavor leaders were held this year, one at Pasumalai and the other at Vellore.

Burma Christian Endeavorers will have their 1960 National Baptist Youth Camp March 26 to April 4 at Ngapali Beach near Sandoway. The camp is for selected youth leaders from all parts of Burma.

Hlaing Hlaing Cho, better known as "Helen," is coming to the United States for librarian graduate study at Columbia University. She is the wife of Ko Maung Maung Han, former secretary of the Burma Baptist Christian Endeavor Union, who is now studying at Andover Newton Theological School. Delegates to the Philadelphia Convention will remember Mr. Han and his Burmese exhibit.

Newly-elected president of the Missouri Union is Claudean Eddington of Louisiana, Missouri. A typist at Stark Bro's Nurseries, she is active in the Providence Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green. Gene Fink, former Missouri Union president, continues to serve as co-president of the union.

Montreal (Quebec) Alumni Fellowship met recently, according to word received from Dora Pauley.

hristian Endeavor singing characterized the Southern Regional Conference at Montreat, North
. Mozelle Dick of Greensboro, regional vice-president, headed the program planning.

Blue Ridge (Virginia) District royalty selected at their recent convention are (left to right): Princess, Nancy Brawner; Queen, Marjorie Altice; King, Lenwood McCoy; and Prince, Tommy Wills.

"Citizenship Unlimited!" is the theme for Christian Endeavor Week 1960. Societies and unions are planning special programs for the observance of the 79th birthday of the movement, January 31 to February 7. A helpful packet, bulging with materials, is available from the International Society for just 50c. It includes a basic manual, party plans, radio and television scripts, and many other items.

Enjoying informal fellowship at Christian Endeavor headquarters during recent meetings of the National Sunday School Association in Columbus, Ohio, are (left to right) Paul Snyder, Committee on Youth, Brethren in Christ Church; O. W. Polen, national director of Church of God Sunday School and Youth Department; William Jones, American Sunday-School Union, Philadelphia; and Robert C. Ross, International Society.

A Pacific Regional Conference for officers of California, Oregon, and Washington State Unions is scheduled for Saturday, January 16. The program is under the direction of Mrs. R. E. LeRiche, vice-president of the region. Cecil A Jeffery, extension secretary of the International Society, will particpate.

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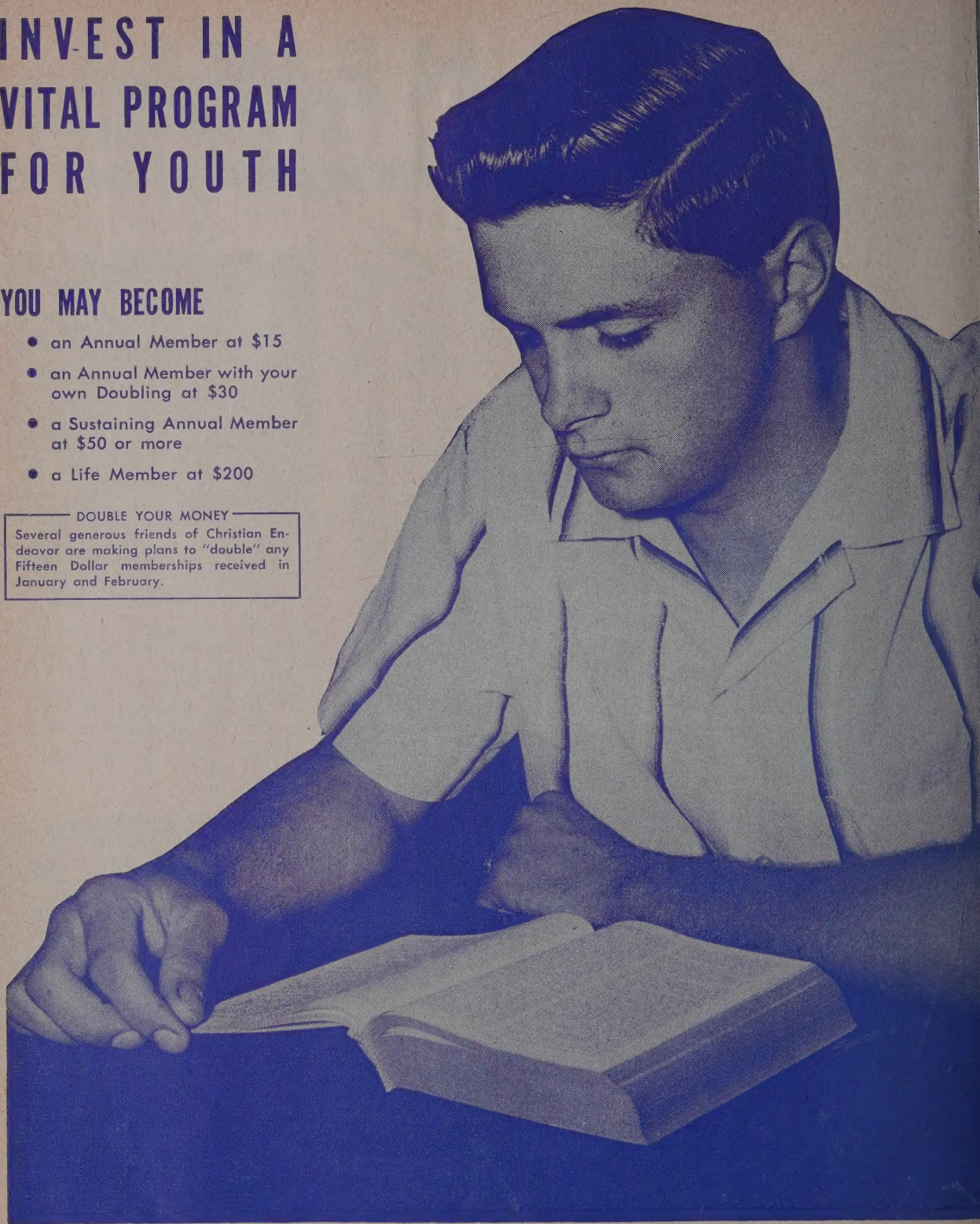

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